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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Amendments to quarantine regulations.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, Washington, March 30, 1904.

To national, State, and local quarantine officers, collectors of customs, shipowners and agents, and others concerned:

Paragraph 68 (c), quarantine regulations of 1903, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Paragraph 68 (c): If arriving at a port south of the southern boundary of Maryland in the season of close quarantine, April 1 to November 1, directly or via a northern port, from a tropical American port, unless said port is known to be free from yellow fever.

The effect of this amendment is to cause the close quarantine season to begin April 1 instead of May 1, with regard to vessels from ports known or suspected of being infected with yellow fever, and arriving at Southern ports, either direct or via Northern ports.

Paragraph 107 (a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Paragraph 107 (a): If arriving in five days, or less, she may be admitted to pratique after being fumigated again, but without further detention than is necessary to complete the five days from port of departure.

Robert B. Armstrong, Assistant Secretary.

Quarantine officers at Florida ports notified of commencement of close quarantine season.

KEY WEST, FLA., March 26, 1904.

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge receipt last evening (the 25th instant) of the following telegram from you:

Dr. J. Y. Porter, State Health Officer, Key West, Fla.

Quarantine closed season begins April first. See Treasury quarantine regulations, article sixty-eight, letter "c," which this year will read "April first to November first"

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and to respectfully state that I have this day transmitted these instructions to Acting Asst. Surgs. R. C. White, Pensacola; E. L. Stewart, Carrabelle; R. T. Walker, Cedar Keys; J. B. Maloney, Key West;